

# Big Bend National Park

Daily Report – Monday, June 15, 2015



## Weather Forecast :

Today ..... Mostly sunny with a 20% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Winds will be from the east at 10-15 mph. Mountain highs will be in the upper 70s, river highs in the lower 90s.

Tonight ..... Partly cloudy with a 20% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Winds will be from the east at 10-15 mph. Overnight lows 60-65.

Tomorrow ..... Partly cloudy with a 20% chance of thunderstorms. Winds will be from the east at around 10 mph. Mountain highs will be in the upper 70s, river highs in the mid 90s. Overnight lows 63-68.

Extended ..... Wed-Sun: Partly cloudy to sunny with a chance of thunderstorms through Saturday.  
Highs: lower 80s - lower 100s      Lows: mid 60s - lower 70s

Sunset tonight: 8:54 p.m. .... Sunrise tomorrow: 6:53 a.m.

## Fire Danger

In the Chisos Mountains: Moderate

Panther Junction/Foothills: Low

## Temperatures and Precipitation

	Temperatures – Last 24 hours				Precipitation		
	Elevation	High	Low	8 AM	24 Hours	Month	Year
Panther Junction	3750'	90	63	67	0.02	1.36	9.69
Chisos Basin	5400'	85	63	68	0.14	1.72	9.89
Rio Grande Village	1850'	105	72	73	0.10	0.33	7.73
Castolon	2170'	105	70	73	0.02	0.02	4.84
Persimmon Gap	2970'	98	67	70	0.39	0.94	6.69
Lajitas	2340'	105	66	70	0.10	0.85	6.79

## River Levels

	Flood Stage	Today	Yesterday
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	3.65 ft / 58 cfs	3.55 ft / 42 cfs
Castolon	15.50	4.11 ft / 372 cfs	2.69 ft / 88 cfs
Johnson's Ranch	15.50	6.24 ft / 724 cfs	4.06 ft / 22 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.39 ft / 2.45 cfs	3.30 ft / 216 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	6.67 ft / 1,031 cfs	11.19 ft / 4,236 cfs

## Current Park Conditions:

Roads: Expect wet and muddy conditions on all backcountry roads. High clearance 4x4 vehicles recommended.

Summer Closures: Castolon & Rio Grande Village visitor centers are closed. Cottonwood Campground, some of the Rio Grande Village Campground and all campsites along the Old Maverick Road are closed. The Chisos Basin Campground and some of the Rio Grande Village Campground, including the RV Park, are open.

Dangerous Heat: The heat indexes over the next few days will reach 96 degrees in the shade and 111 degrees in the sun. Exercise extreme caution. Sunstroke, heat cramps and heat exhaustion are likely when exposure to the sun and physical activity are prolonged; heat stroke is possible.

Heat Safety Tip: Avoid strenuous activity midday, wear light weight light colored protective clothing, a hat and sunscreen, drink a gallon of water per day and take frequent breaks in the shade to cool down.

All information posted as of 9:00 am this morning; subject to change without notice.